



DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 165

[Docket No. USCG-2022-0934]

Safety Zone; City of Rockport, Rockport Tropical Christmas Festival Fireworks

Display Show

AGENCY: Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

ACTION: Notification of enforcement of regulation.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard will enforce the safety zone for the Rockport Tropical Christmas Festival Fireworks Display Show on December 3, 2022, to provide for the safety of persons, vessels, and the marine environment on navigable waterways during this event. Our regulation for marine events within the Eighth Coast Guard District identifies the safety zone for this event in Rockport, TX. During the enforcement periods, entry into this zone is prohibited unless authorized by the Captain of the Port Sector Corpus Christi (COTP) or a designated representative.

DATES: The regulations in 33 CFR 165.801, Table 4, Line 11, will be enforced from 7 p.m. through 7:30 p.m. on December 3, 2022, unless the event is postponed because of adverse weather, in which case this rule will be enforced from 7 p.m. through 7:30 p.m. on December 9, 2022, or December 10, 2022.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions about this notification of enforcement, call or email Lieutenant Commander Anthony Garofalo, Sector Corpus Christi Waterways Management Division, U.S. Coast Guard; telephone 361-939-5130, email ccwaterways@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Coast Guard will enforce the safety zone in 33 CFR 165.801, Table 4, Line 11, for the Rockport Tropical Christmas Festival

Fireworks Display Show from 7 p.m. through 7:30 p.m. on December 3, 2022, with a rain date set for December 9, 2022 and December 10, 2022. This action is being taken to provide for the safety of persons, vessels, and the marine environment on navigable waterways during this event. Our regulation for marine events within the Eighth Coast Guard District, § 165.801, specifies the location of the safety zone for the Wendell Family Fireworks, which encompasses portions of Little Bay in Rockport, TX. As reflected in §§ 165.23 and 165.801(a), if you are the operator of a vessel in the regulated area you must comply with directions from the Captain of the Port Sector Corpus Christi (COTP) or any designated representative. Persons or vessels desiring to enter the zone must request permission from the COTP or a designated representative. They can be reached on VHF FM channel 16 or by telephone at (361) 939-0450.

If permission is granted, all persons and vessels shall comply with the instructions of the COTP or designated representative.

In addition to this notification of enforcement in the Federal Register, the COTP or a designated representative will inform the public through Broadcast Notice to Mariners (BNM), Local Notices to Mariners (LNM), Marine Safety Information Broadcasts (MSIBs), and/or through other means of public notice as appropriate at least 24 hours in advance of each enforcement.

Dated: November 18, 2022.

J. B. Gunning,

Captain, U.S. Coast Guard,

Captain of the Port Sector Corpus Christi.